

Capital Planning Committee

Presentation to Town Meeting

Spring 2023 Annual Town Meeting
Arlington, Massachusetts

Timur Kaya Yontar, CPC Chair

*“The time to repair the roof
is when the sun is shining.”*

—John F. Kennedy

Agenda

1. Thanks
2. Report Content
3. Acquisitions
4. Debt Service
5. Capital Budget Size

1. Thanks

- Town & School departments and FinComm
- Capital Planning Committee
 - Joseph Barr Ida Cody Jose Farias
 - Darrel Harmer Jonathan Haughton Kate Loosian
 - Phyllis Marshall Christopher Moore Joe Solomon
 - Julie Wayman Timur Kaya Yontar
- Special Shout-Outs
 - Alex Magee, Christopher Moore, Julie Wayman

2. Report Content

- Article 38 Vote: FY2024 Capital Budget (*pp 1–6*)
 - Acquisitions
 - Debt Service
- Five-Year Capital Plan
 - FY2024
 - “Out years”
- Appendix: Comprehensive Lists of Plan Items
 - Cost, timing, and funding source

3. Acquisitions: \$13.3 M in FY2024


- Article 38, Sections 2, 4, & 5
 - Paid by Cash, “Other” funds, and Bonds
- Detailed text (*pp 18–23*) and table (*pp 24–25*)

• Public Works	\$6.1 M (46%)
• Schools & School IT	\$3.7 M (28%)
• Town Buildings	\$1.3 M (10%)
• Fire & Police	\$1.0 M (8%)
• Library, IT, Recreation	\$0.7 M (5%)
• All Other	\$0.4 M (3%)
- New Bonds (\$3.7 M) incur future debt service

4. Debt Service: **\$19.2 M** in FY2024

- Article 38, Section 3
 - Paid mostly by Cash from General Tax
- Covers principal & interest on prior years' bonds
 - Both “non-exempt” and “exempt” debt
- Capital Plan = “Non-Exempt” debt
 - “Exempt” debt = above & beyond Capital Plan
 - Authorized by debt exclusion votes

5. Capital Budget Size: \$9.5 M in FY2024



Fiscal Year	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	Total
Net Non-Exempt Plan	\$9,492,256	\$10,384,653	\$10,333,924	\$10,627,826	\$10,832,028	\$51,670,688
Pro Forma Budget	\$189,868,822	\$198,408,030	\$206,313,096	\$215,105,161	\$223,752,581	\$1,033,447,690
Budget For Plan at 5%	\$9,493,441	\$9,920,402	\$10,315,655	\$10,755,258	\$11,187,629	\$51,672,385
Plan as % of Revenues	5.00%	5.23%	5.01%	4.94%	4.84%	5.00%
Variance From Budget	\$1,185	(\$464,252)	(\$18,269)	\$127,432	\$355,601	\$1,697

- Rule: Up to 5% of Town Budget (*pp 12–14*)
- Allows long-term planning with fiscal discipline
- Since size is capped, we make tradeoffs
 - If request for additional item, it won't raise your taxes
 - Something else must be cut, reduced, or delayed

In Conclusion

- This was the brief version
 - Please also see the full Report
- We will be glad to answer your questions
- We respectfully request your affirmative vote on **Article 38, the FY2024 Capital Budget**

STAY SAFE!